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In re application of :  
Choong Seng BOON : Docket No.01489/P158730  
Serial No. 09/155, 398 : Group Art Unit 2721  
Filed February 2, 1999 : Examiner Lee, Y

DIGITAL IMAGE REPLENISHMENT  
METHOD, IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE  
AND DATA RECORDING MEDIUM

### AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, D.C.

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 18, 2001, the period for response having been extended for one-month, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 15 with the following rewritten paragraph:

By using the coding method for performing coding to the image signal for each object as described above, it becomes possible to combine objected freely to generate a composite image, whereby moving images can be reedited with ease. In addition, a moving image comprising only objects with high importance can be displayed without reproducing objects with relatively low importance, depending on a degree of congestion of a communication path, performance of a reproducing apparatus, or preference of a viewer.

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